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**HYBRID TEA ROSE PLANT NAMED 'FRIVOLOUS PINK'**

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**CLASSIFICATION**

The present invention relates to a new *Rosa hybrida* plant.

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**VARIETY DENOMINATION**

The new plant has the varietal denomination 'FRIVOLOUS PINK'.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

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The present invention relates to a new and distinct variety of rose plant of the hybrid tea rose of the genus *Rosaceae* which was created by crossing as seed and pollen parents two (2) unknown rose varieties. The varietal denomination of the new variety is 'FRIVOLOUS PINK'.

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**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Among the novel characteristics possessed by this new variety onto the rootstock of 'Dr. Huey' which distinguishes it from other varieties of which I am aware, is its pink flowers.

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Asexual reproduction by propagation by budding of the new variety as performed in Wasco, California shows that the foregoing and other distinguishing characteristics come true to form and are established and transmitted through succeeding propagations.

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## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ILLUSTRATION

The accompanying illustration shows typical specimens of the flowers and foliage of the new variety depicted in color as nearly true as it is reasonably possible to make the same in a color illustration of this character.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

The following is a detailed description of 2-year budded plants of the new variety , with color terminology in accordance with *The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart* (RHSCC). The terminology used in color description herein refers to plate numbers in the aforementioned color chart. Phenotypic expression may vary with light availability, environmental and cultural conditions.

The following observations are made of specimens grown outdoors in Wasco, California, during the month of November budded on 'DR. HUEY' understock.

Form: Compact

Growth: Medium

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Size:                      Terminal leaflet length  
                              about 2 9/16 inches; width  
                              about 1 3/8 inches

Quantity: Leaves compound, with 5 to 7 leaflets; most typically 7 leaflets

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1	New foliage:	Upper side near 175A; under side near 175C
5	Mature foliage:	Upper side near 137A; under side near 137C
	Shape:	Elliptic
	Texture	
10	Upper side:	Smooth, semi-glossy
	Under side:	Matte
	Edge:	Serrated
	Serration:	Slight
15	Petioles:	Top surface color near 143B; Under side near 144B
	Stipules:	Normal
20	Rachis:	Few prickles

## New shoots

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	Flowering stem:	Length about 16 inches
1	Winter Hardiness:	Completely winter hardy
	Resistance to Disease:	Average
5	Preferred growing conditions:	Full sun
	Growth habit:	Medium vigor
	Leaves per stem:	About 5
10	Prickles/Thorns:	The cultivar has the usual number of thorns and prickles; thorns about 3/16 inch long, near 143C
15	FLOWER/INFLORESCENCE	
	Blooming Habit:	Recurrent
	Bud	Length about 2 inches; width about 1 1/4 inches
20	Form:	Classic rose
	Color:	Before sepals divide color near 56A; when sepals first divide color near 55B; when petals begin to unfurl color near 55C
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	Sepals:	Long, thin on ends, usually 5 sepals per bloom, multiple serrated extensions
30	Size:	Length in relation to bud, about 1 3/16 inches

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1	Color:	Topside near 145A; bottom near 145B
	Peduncle	
5	Length:	About 2 3/4 inches, smooth
	Strength:	Erect
	Color:	Near 147B
	Flower	
10	Size:	About 4 inches
	Borne:	Multiple blooms in sprays, usually about 5 to 6 blooms per spray
15	Form:	High centered, opens very flat with age
	Petalage:	About 20, petals are fan-shaped
20	Petaloids in center:	About 3
	Fragrance:	Slight
25	Lasting Quality:	About 2 weeks on plant; about 5 days after cutting
	Color	
30	During first 2 days:	Inner petals at flower center topside near 36A; bottom near 36C; outer petals topside near 36B, bottom near 4B, tips of petals are darker

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1		pink, near 39A, balance of petals are lighter near 36B
	Base of petals (Point of attachment):	Near 4B
5	General tonality from a distance:	Near 36A
	Color Change:	As bloom ages, fades to near 158C; after 3 or more days, fades to near 158C
10	Petals	
	Texture:	Soft
	Shape:	Oblong shape, length about 1½ inches; width about 1¼ inches
15	Arrangement:	Imbricated
	Appearance:	Velvety
20	REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS	
	Arrangement of stamens, Filaments and Anthers:	Regularly arranged around styles
	Color:	Filaments near 4B; Anthers near 4D
25	Pollen:	No pollen
	Styles:	Medium length
	Hips/Seed Vessels/Ovaries	
30	Shape:	Round

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	Size:	About 1/2 inch
1	Color:	Near 147B
	Seeds:	No seeds
5	DISEASE RESISTANCE:	The cultivar exhibits an average resistance/ susceptibility to disease
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